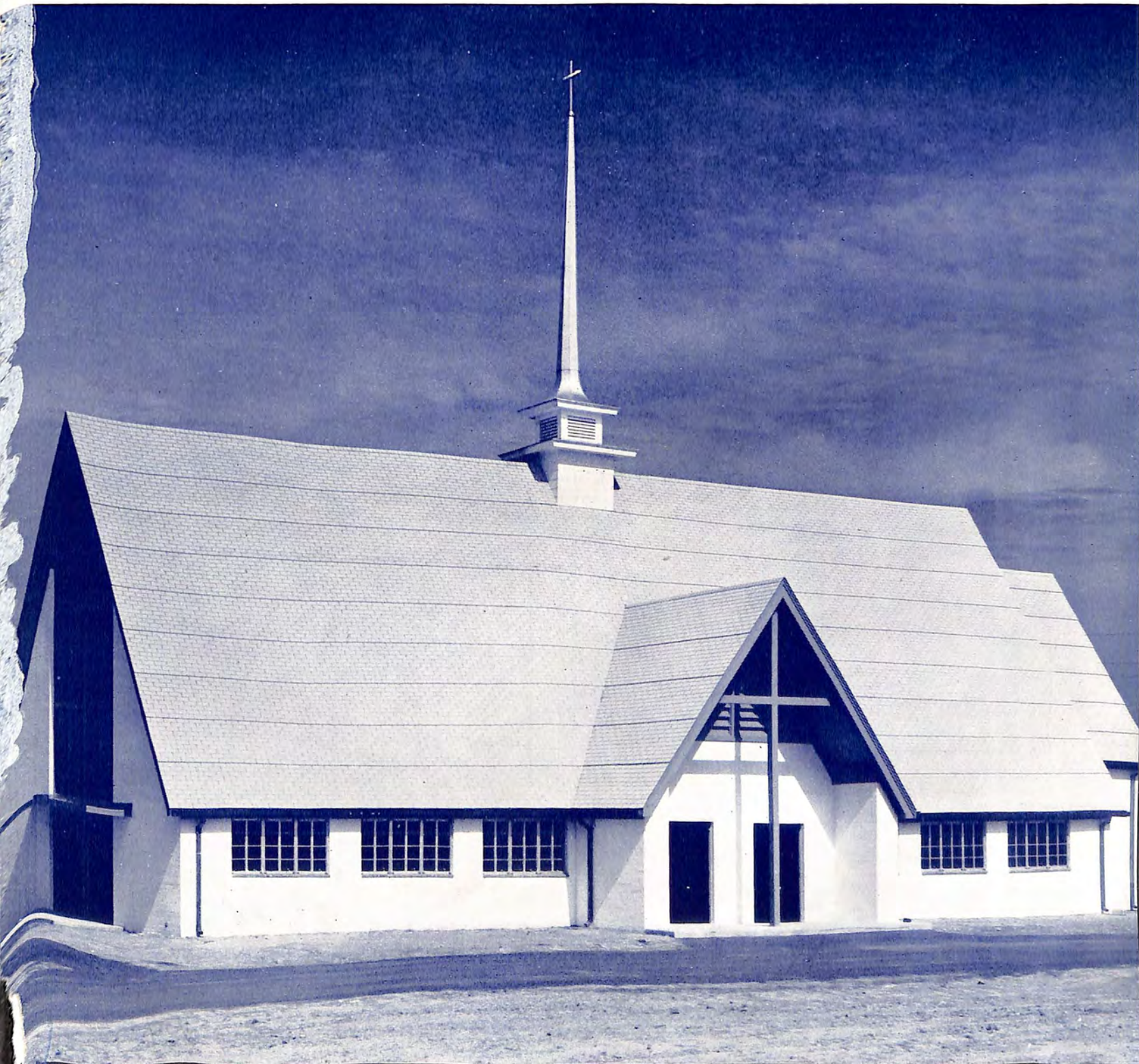


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BISHOP HART'S ADDRESS AT THE 170th ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Editor's Note: The complete address of the Bishop to the Convention is printed in full in the Journal of the Convention; but for the information of our readers we are printing most of the portion of his address that was read at the mass meeting on Monday evening, May 3.

Two reports will be submitted to the Convention tomorrow which may cause extended debate. One is the report of the Committee on Canons. A Committee, consisting of the Rev. Ralph Coonrad, the Chancellor and Mr. Harry C. Parker are suggesting certain changes in our Standing Rules of Order and in certain Diocesan Canons. One amendment to the Constitution comes up for the second consideration—namely, the right of women to be delegates to this Convention. The job of the Committee is to see to it that the amendment is in proper form. It is up to you to say whether or not you want to adopt it as part of the Constitution of the Diocese. The second resolution which may cause extended debate concerns the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Here again a Committee, headed by Father Greene, has done a thorough job and they are presenting a resolution for your thoughtful consideration.

Change of Date Suggested

I suggest for your consideration changing the date of Convention from the first Monday in May to the first Monday in June. This would enable us to have the spring meetings of Conventions in May and questions of diocesan concern could then be referred to this Convention.

Retirement of the Clergy

I wish that there was some way in which the members of this Convention could express themselves about the Compulsory Retirement of the Clergy at age 72. As the matter now stands, on and after January 1, 1957, all the clergy will have to retire from active service—unless the General Conven-

tion next year changes the Canon. A straw vote was taken on the question at the meeting of the House of Bishops last November and a large majority favored allowing the clergy to continue after age 72 in their present cure or elsewhere, provided it is approved by diocesan authorities. Many laymen have expressed vigorous opposition to this and have voiced the opinion that clergy, upon reaching the age of 72, should be allowed to serve elsewhere, but not to continue in their present cure. My own feeling is that the question should be thoroughly discussed now so that we will avoid coming to General Convention without a definite idea of what the Church wants done.

Endowment of the Episcopate

I want to express my thanks to Mr. Clarence M. Brown and Mr. Spencer Ervin for their splendid work on the Committee for the Endowment Fund of the Episcopate. The Fund has grown from less than \$100,000 to a present market value of over \$350,000. During the past year we received a bequest of \$25,000 for this Fund from Mr. Frank H. Moss. Mr. Moss was Vice-President of the Board of Trustees of the Church Foundation and served the diocese in many other ways. I miss him greatly. Mr. Ervin has placed the right emphasis on a strong Episcopate as essential for the continuing health and growth of the Church. It is conceivable that the Fund for the Episcopate could grow to such a size that the parishes would no longer be called upon for any financial support, but this is such a remote pos-

sibility that I urge you to continue to keep this Fund before the people of the diocese as a most worthy object of bequests or gifts. Mr. Brown has been most anxious to insure the continuance of the active work of this Committee and, therefore, after this Convention will become Honorary Chairman, his place as Chairman being taken by Mr. D. Alexander Wieland. Mr. Ervin's place as Vice-Chairman will be taken by Mr. Frederic C. Wheeler.

Recruits for the Ministry

We have nine men who are graduating from Divinity Schools this year. For reasons which seem adequate to me, I am releasing three of these men to work elsewhere. This leaves us six men to fill the existing vacancies. We need additional men and I ask the clergy and laymen to do everything in their power to have our ablest young men consider the call to the Ministry.

Builders for Christ Campaign

This is not the time or place for me to give a travelogue. Already many of you have had to listen to the story of our trip to the Holy Land. It has often been said that one of the nicest things about a trip is getting home again. Certainly it was very thrilling to me to get home just in time for the luncheon for the Presiding Bishop. The luncheon was evidence of the fine work done by Mr. P. Blair Lee and his associates, both clerical and lay. The loyalty and devotion of the clergy and laity of this diocese is enough to gladden the heart of any bishop. Our trip has made me realize very keenly that the distinction between domestic and overseas work is only an administrative one. It has no other reality in the shrunken and divided world in which we live. I know that we need more funds to take advantage of the opportunities within the diocese, but I am glad that you have sacrificed local needs in order to give full support to the work of the National

OUR COVER

St. Paul's Church, Levittown.

See story on page 15.

Church. I have been deeply moved by the spirit shown by clergy and laymen—in some instances already deeply involved in campaigns for their own parish needs—who have wanted to have a part in this General Convention appeal for capital needs. I was most touched by one of our clergy whose vestry had honestly thought that they could not take part in this national campaign because of their parish commitments. This priest wrote to his vestry, earnestly requesting them to reconsider and telling them of his own personal subscription which was a liberal one. With such leadership from the clergy, I am sure that this diocese will make a worthy response to this appeal of General Convention.

Lay Participation

Naturally I am in full agreement with those who want to put great emphasis on home missions. Our first responsibility is to do everything within our power to make our own parish a more vital Christian fellowship. One of the ways in which you can do this is to assist your rector in keeping in touch with your parishioners, especially those who are on the outer fringe of the parish life. On Easter Day I was at St. Paul's, Levittown, for the ten o'clock service. The church was crowded and a goodly number turned away. I was impressed by the number of people who spoke to me after the service and said, "I am a member of such and such a parish in this or some other diocese, but we have recently moved to this neighborhood." I realize that Levittown is a special case, but in one of our old and settled parishes, where a new rector came within the past year, a layman said to me, "Do you know what's happened in our parish? Our new rector, during his first month, called on every sick and shut-in person in the parish. Some of them had not been called upon by anyone from our parish for over five years!" You may say, "This is the priest's duty." True, but I am glad to say that this vestryman felt that he shared the responsibility for this tragic omission.

Diocesan Conference Center

Possession of our Conference Center was given to the diocese by Mrs. S. Griswold Flagg on April 1st. A Committee of seven laymen, headed by Mr. Lawrence Saunders, spent a busy month making the minimum alterations in order to prepare the Center for our use. I am sure that you join with me in expressing our gratitude to Mrs. Flagg and her late husband for their generous gift of this beautiful estate. I am confident that we will find this

Center to be one of the most valuable and useful of our facilities. It will be necessary for us to have at the start an organization which we can readily change in the light of our experience. I have asked the Committee of seven laymen to continue for the time being in charge of the business administration of the Center. I have appointed the President of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Chairman of our Department of Christian Education and the Executive Secretary of the Diocese to have charge of arranging conferences and setting up the policies of the Center. I have appointed the Rev. James Ludwig as Executive Director. Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig are now in residence. The first diocesan event at the Center was the Woman's Auxiliary Program Planning day held there last Friday. Our Youth Convention will be held there this Saturday. We have set Sunday afternoon, September 19th, as the tentative date for the formal dedication of the Center.

Two World Conferences

During the summer two great World Conferences will be held in the United States. The Anglican Congress will meet in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from August 4th to 13th. This Congress, unlike the Lambeth Conference, will in-

clude Priests and Laymen as well as Bishops. The Congress is not a legislative body, but it will provide an opportunity for members of the Anglican Communion all over the world to discuss their common problems and by interchange of ideas to strengthen the whole fellowship. I regret that the time of year will make it difficult for us to welcome some of our distinguished visitors to this diocese and to have an opportunity to hear them. Bishop Stewart of Jerusalem plans to reach Philadelphia on Monday, July 26th and perhaps we can arrange for him to speak somewhere in the diocese before he goes on to New York for his Sunday appointment.

The Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches is scheduled to convene on the campus of Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, August 15th to 31st. The main theme of this Conference is "Christ: The Hope of the World." This general theme will be divided into such topics as: Our Oneness in Christ and Our Disunity as Churches. The Mission of the Church to those Outside her life. Christians in the struggle for World Community. Racial and Ethnic Tensions. The Christian Layman in his vocation.

Three New Parishes Admitted to Convention Women Excluded as Deputies

Boy Scouts

Mr. Francis J. Chesterman addressed the convention on the work of the Boy Scouts of America, emphasizing the fact that this organization could be a great help to the church in holding the boy, and asking that parishes and missions help the work by sponsoring units, providing leaders and facilities for meetings. A resolution was adopted requesting the Department of Christian Education to explore the possibility of a larger participation on the part of the church in the field of scouting. The resolution called for the inclusion of Girl Scout work also.

The Woman's Auxiliary

Mrs. Charles Myers, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese, addressed the convention on the work of the women. While every woman in the church is a member of the Auxiliary, only about 1/3 are actively par-

ticipating in the work of the church. During the past year over \$100,000 was raised by the women of the diocese, including \$50,000 for the United Thank Offering. The other half was used for missionary work within the diocese and throughout the church, of which about \$35,000 applied on the quota of parishes and missions. The work of the Woman's Auxiliary is not just a matter of raising money, neither is it a sewing circle for old ladies; but provides complete programs for prayer, study and work. It also participates in interdenominational Christian women's projects on the local, national, and world wide fronts. Bishop Hart's comment at the close of Mrs. Myers' address was that the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Pennsylvania is way ahead of any other diocese in the entire church.

Women in the Convention

Last year a motion was voted upon dealing with the subject of admitting women as lay deputies from the parishes. The motion then passed by a vote of 132 to 104. As the proposition involved changes in the constitution and canons of the diocese, it was referred to the committee on canons, who reported on the change in language from "Laymen" to "Lay Persons." The convention this year rejected the proposal by a vote of 148 to 123.

Philadelphia Council of Churches

The Rev. William Powell, executive secretary of the Philadelphia Council of Churches, addressed the convention on Monday afternoon, reporting that 60 parishes in the diocese are contributing members of the council, having given a total of \$11,000. Some 16 parishes and missions have participated in surveys of neighborhoods conducted by the council's Research and Planning Committee.

Three Parishes Admitted

Three new parishes were admitted to the Convention and their representatives were introduced and welcomed by Bishop Hart. They are: St. Alban's Church, Newtown Square; St. Philip's Church, 1925 Lombard Street, Philadelphia; Trinity Church, Solebury.

Philadelphia Divinity School

The Very Rev. Frank D. Gifford, Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School, reported that there are 106 students enrolled, including 32 in the graduate department. Many of these students are receiving part of their training in parishes in this diocese, while many others are employed in

parishes and missions. This year's graduating class will number 26. Some 600 women are actively interested in the work of the school and have greatly helped in many of its projects.

Builders for Christ

Mr. P. Blair Lee, general chairman of the Builders for Christ Campaign, gave an encouraging report on the progress of the Advanced Gifts Committee, urged that an every member canvass for the campaign be held in all parishes and missions, and asked for a widespread use of the prayer furnished for use in the campaign.

The City Mission

The Rev. Arnold Purdie, executive director of the City Mission, in presenting his report commented that this is truly a church agency because so much cooperation is given to all departments of its work by the church

people throughout the diocese. 1477 services were conducted under its auspices in the past year.

Change of Convention Date

As an experiment for 1955 the Diocesan Convention will meet the first Monday and Tuesday in June, instead of May. It is expected that the change will facilitate contacts between convocations and convention, allow more time between election of parish deputies and the time of meeting, etc.

Council of Churches of Christ

At the close of last year's session, at the request of the convention, Bishop Hart appointed a committee to consider some of the publications issued by the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. The members of this committee were the Rev. Charles E. Greene, chairman, the Rev. C. Edward Hopkin, the Rev. Ernest A. de Bordenave, Mr. Martin W. Clement, Mr. Albert Nesbitt, Mr. Harold Goodwin, Jr., Mr. Donald Jenks. The following resolution, presented by this committee, was adopted:

WHEREAS the Protestant Episcopal Church is a constituent member of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America;

AND WHEREAS, it is the opinion of this Convention, based upon the findings submitted to it by its Committee of Study, that a reasonable case has been presented and evidence submitted which gives cause for concern pertaining to the publishing of certain pamphlets by the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the report and recommendations of the Committee of Study be and hereby are approved, and that this 170th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania respectfully presents the foregoing to the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church for such action as it may deem appropriate, and instructs the Secretary of this Convention to transmit an attested copy of the report of the Committee of Study, together with Preambles, to the Secretary of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Compulsory Retirement of Clergy

A petition was passed to be sent to the General Convention of the Church, meeting in 1955, "to abrogate that part of the canon providing for compulsory retirement of the clergy (at the age of 72 years), or at least postpone its operation until an adequate supply of clergy is available."

ELECTIONS

The following is the official result of the election and nomination which took place at the 170th Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania:

STANDING COMMITTEE

The Rev. Philemon F. Sturges, Jr.

Mr. Frederick R. Drayton

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The Rev. Richard T. Lyford

The Rev. James M. Niblo

The Rev. Thorne Sparkman

The Rev. S. Tagart Steele, Jr.

The Rev. Philemon F. Sturges, Jr.

The Rev. E. Sydnor Thomas

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The Rev. James M. Niblo

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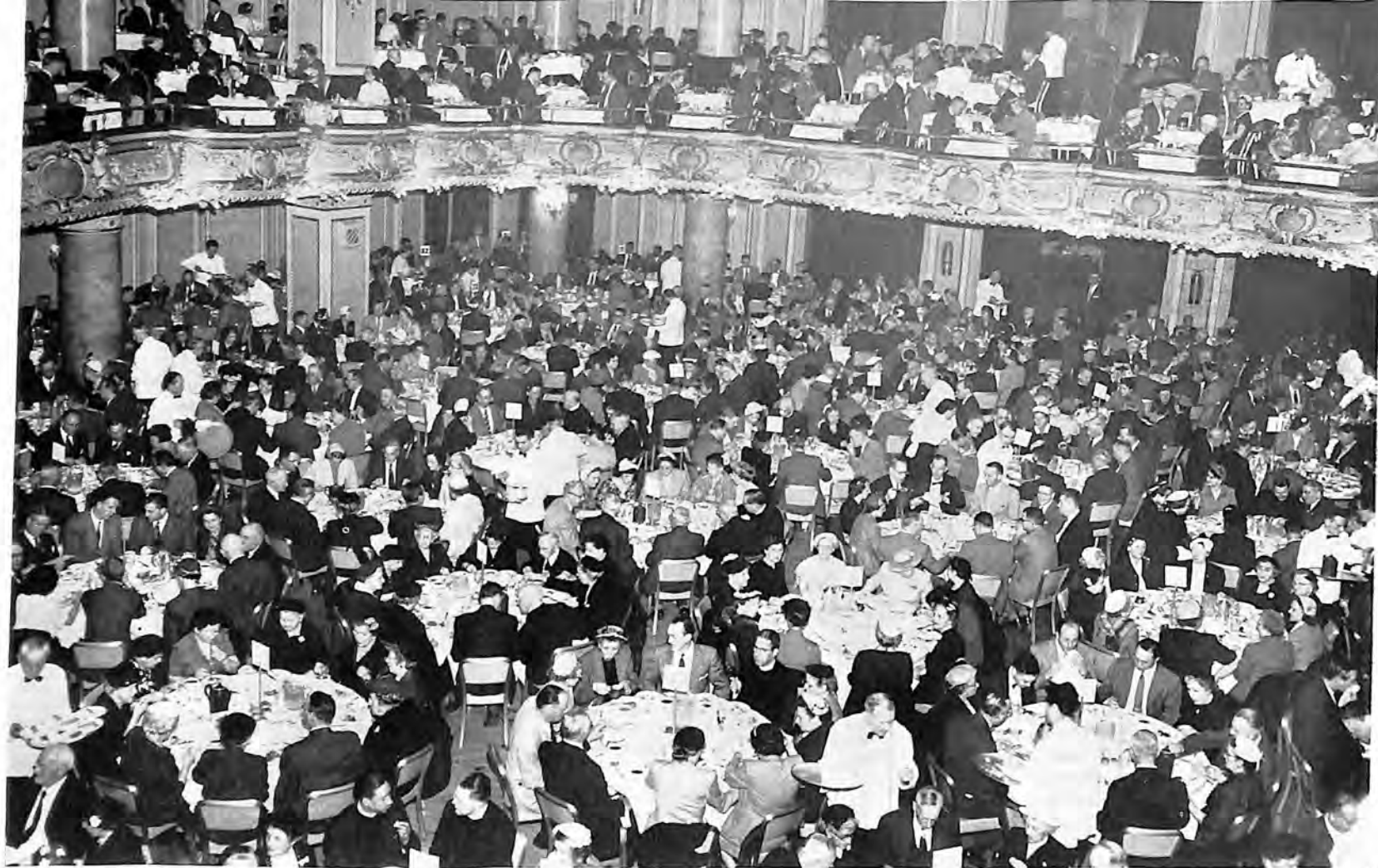
Mr. Sydney P. Clark

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This is just one corner of the Ball Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

Excellent Diocesan Response In Builders for Christ Campaign

In this campaign the Episcopal Church is raising \$4,150,000 for our seminaries, for overseas work in Japan, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, and other parts of the world, as well as for work at home where the need is urgent. The Diocese of Pennsylvania is expected to raise \$309,000, which includes \$70,000 for the purpose of furnishing, developing, and operating the new Diocesan Conference Center in Radnor.

Presiding Bishop Speaks at Luncheon

The Ball Room and its gallery, as well as the Clover Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel were filled with some 1,400 church people from the various parishes and missions of the diocese on April 2. Mr. P. Blair Lee, chairman of the campaign in this diocese, presided and introduced Bishop Hart, who had just returned from his trip to the Holy Land. He presented the Most Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, the presiding bishop of the church.



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"With the development of science and the hydrogen bomb, wars and rumors of wars, most people do not appreciate the terrible significance of our times," Bishop Sherrill said. "Never before have we been faced with such promotion of materialistic atheism, juvenile delinquency and narcotic threats. What we do in our generation will determine whether we fall into a dark age, an age of barbarism or enter a world of peace based on righteousness."

The presiding bishop said the \$4,150,000 goal represented only the most essential needs and that an appeal for \$20,000,000 or \$30,000,000 could be justified.

Portions of this address by Bishop Sherrill have been preserved on long playing records which are available at the Church House.

Advance Gifts

Immediately following the luncheon there was launched an extensive solicitation of advance gifts under the chairmanship of Mr. William L. Day. The team captains for this intensive undertaking during the month of April include Messrs Morris Cheston, Herbert Church, William L. Cleaves, L. Wilfrid Coleman, Gordon Crouter, John H. Dilks, Frederick R. Drayton, William DuBarry, J. Kenton Eisenbrey, William G. Foulke, Robert L. Hershey, William M. Huggins, Edward M. Mann, Clayton B. McElroy, Lawrence B. Illoy, Charles Phelps, W. Alrich Price, Owen B. Rhoads, G. Stockton Strawbridge, William Morton West, Frederic C. Wheeler.

The amounts given or pledged by church people in this solicitation will be credited on the parish quotas for the campaign in their respective parishes. As we go to press the gifts and pledges from these advance gifts amounts to \$105,101.76.

Convocation Supper Meetings

During the last two weeks in April a series of four supper meetings were arranged to brief canvassers and other church people from the various parishes and missions on the importance of the campaign and to stimulate their response. At these meetings there was shown a film strip presentation of the campaign and there was a recording of portions of the address made by the presiding bishop at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel on April 2. The dates and places of these meetings were as follows: St. John's Church, Norristown, April 20, with addresses by Albert J. Nesbitt and Bishop Hart; April 21, St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, with Bishop Hart and Mr. Nesbitt as the speakers; April 22, Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, for the convocations within the city, with addresses by Mr. P. Blair Lee and Bishop Armstrong; April 27, Valley Forge Military Academy for the Convocation of Chester, with the Rev. Harry S. Longely, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, and Mr. Albert J. Nesbitt as the speakers.

The Parish Canvass

Bishop Hart asked Mr. Albert J. Nesbitt to serve as chairman of the every member canvass for the campaign in the parishes and missions of the diocese. Serving with Mr. Nesbitt as co-chairman is Mr. Richard A. Angus. This effort to reach every member of

the church is being carried on during the month of May. We list herewith, according to convocations, the names of the local chairmen:

Convocation of Chester

Chairman: ROBERT N. ARNDT

Co-chairman: HENRY C. BECK

Advent, Kennett Square, Col. Howard C. Fair; All Saints, Darby, Thomas Chadwick; All Saints, Wynnewood, Frederic Wheeler; Calvary, Rockdale, Irving K. Jordan; Christ Church, Media, Francis R. Austin; Christ Church, Ridley Park, James E. Galloway; Good Samaritan, Paoli, William H. Ashton; Good Shepherd, Rosemont, Julien Eysmans, Jr.; Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, Frederick R. Drayton; Redeemer, Springfield, Elliot S. Dallas; St. Alban, Newtown Square, Jerry McCorkle; St. Andrew, West Vincent, Paul H. Gant; St. Asaph, Bala, Clarence E. Hall; St. Christopher, Gladwyne, Walter H. Lippincott; St. David, Radnor, William H. Knowles, Jr.; St. George, Ardmore, Neville H. Ehmann; St. Giles, Upper Darby, Russell F. Stephens; St. James, Down-



Bishop Armstrong, Bishop Sherrill, and Bishop Hart.

ingtown, Herbert Ash, Jr.; St. James, Green Ridge, Robert P. Morris; St. James, Prospect Park, Raymond L. Hayman; St. John, Concord, James C. Ross; St. John, Cynwyd, Leonard L. Eyster; St. John, Essington, William Mako; St. John, Lansdowne, Allan D. Ramsay; St. John, Pequea, Nathaniel Burt; St. Luke, Eddystone, Raymond C. MacDonald; St. Mark, Honey Brook, J. William McConnell; St. Martin, Marcus Hook, Norman McCray; St. Martin, Radnor, Roy Jay McKee; St. Mary, Chester, Jeremiah A. Heartley; St. Mary, Warwick, Paul H. Gant; St. Mary, Wayne, Donald P. Horsey; St. Paul, West Whiteland, Col. George G. Chandler; St. Peter, Great Valley, Frederico F. Mauck; St. Stephen, Clifton Heights, John H. Benner; Trinity, Coatesville, Donald F. Eastburn; Trinity, Swarthmore, Joseph B. Bullitt.

Convocation of Germantown

Chairman: JAMES F. NOBLE

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Convocation of Norristown

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Bishop Hart expresses Appreciation to all who worked and gave for the success of the Builders For Christ Campaign

It is too early to tell what the results will be in the diocese for the Builders for Christ Campaign, but I have been thrilled by the magnificent response on the part of both Clergy and Laity. I realize that many parishes were already deeply committed to improvements in their own facilities but, in spite of that fact, the clergy have almost unanimously given wonderful leadership in meeting this appeal of General Convention. Mr. P. Blair Lee and his associates have done a very thorough job of organization. It makes me very happy to see the laymen take such an interest and working in the way in which they are doing for the cause of the whole Church.

Your Bishop

OLIVER J. HART

OUR NEXT ISSUE WILL BE

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BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

Many men and boys from the Diocese of Pennsylvania should be in attendance at the 54th National Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew to be held at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, June 17 to 20, 1954. The cost will be for seniors, \$20.00; for juniors, \$15.00. Early registrations are requested and should be sent to the Convention Secretary, 709 W. Market Street, York, Pa.

SAINT PETER'S CHOIR SCHOOL

The boys of Saint Peter's Choir are all pupils in the Choir School. The School has a threefold purpose—to provide boys with a thorough scholastic training; to give them spiritual guidance in a Christian environment; to foster an appreciation and understanding of good music.

The name "Choir School" would seem to imply that to be eligible for admission a boy must be musically gifted. This is not the case. An applicant is judged on his general scholastic ability. The School is primarily interested in boys with scholastic aptitude, and maintains a high academic standard. The course of studies covers all academic subjects.

Applications are now being received for admission in September. Boys who in the fall will be ready to enter grades four, five or six, may now register for entrance examinations. All inquiries should be addressed to Harold W. Gilbert, Headmaster, 319 Lombard St., Philadelphia 47, Pa.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB HAS BOOKS FOR CLERGY

From time to time the Church Periodical Club is given books of all kinds. They are sorted and sent out to groups where they might be of special interest such as the Seamen's Church Institute, mission schools, etc. In the course of time a considerable number of theological books, usually from the libraries of clergymen, are accumulated. Just now there are several hundred such volumes, both reference books and individual authors, which they would be glad to give to young clergymen who may desire to enlarge their own libraries. The books are on display in room 36 on the third floor of the Church House, and the clergy are cordially invited to inspect them and accept such volumes as they might find useful.



The Presiding Bishop and Campaign Leaders. Left to right: Mr. Richard A. Angus, Mr. Albert J. Nesbitt, Bishop Sherrill, Mr. William L. Day, Mr. P. Blair Lee, Mr. Ronald J. McCarthy.



This Holy Fellowship

A Meditation by

THE RT. REV. J. GILLESPIE ARMSTRONG
Suffragan Bishop of Pennsylvania

I Peter 2:9. "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that he should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light."

When we realize that we are made by God to know Him, to companion with Him and to know and to do His will, we are truly chosen out of the world. We have left the dark, or twilight, era of doubts and fears about ourselves; our purposes, and our destination to enter into the deep penetrating knowledge that we are the people of the mission—a purpose. This purpose is to show God's will in our own deeds and in our own acts to other people that they, too, may be called out of darkness into light.

All of these things which I have just said you know but some of us at least wonder how to bring to good effect the purpose of our creation; how to care for one another as God would have us to care.

It is very easy and all of us in part recognize that our responsibility is to share the good things of this world and life with one another—"He who hath this world's goods must share with him who has need." To do unto others as we would have them do to us is, by so many of us, taken as our whole responsibility, but this is not so. To share with one another in the lasting experiences of our lives with God, by sharing our joys and sorrows, by sharing our strengths and our weaknesses with one another in our individual relationships as well as in our corporate relationships is the full measure of God's expectation of us as His chosen people.

It is a great and good thing to give of one's life's blood that another may share in the richness of physical heritage but it is an empty gift if there is not a joining of spirit, a sharing of faith, with the recipient of one's blood. It is a natural expression of our

caring, and of our compassionate sharing, that we lift one another to God in prayer for God's gift; the fulness of which is beyond man's understanding. Then, in the priesthood of all believers we will be great intercessors. It is by praying for one another that

we share God's gift of the Holy Spirit and so give that which "neither moth nor dust doth corrupt nor thieves break through and steal."

It is a common experience to have people quarrel about the doctrines of our Faith; even to the extent of positive denial of such a truth as "God became man, that He lived and died and rose again." But I wonder if it is as common an experience to realize that such statements rather than attacks on the Faith, are the voice of one crying aloud in the wilderness. They are, so much of the time, questions. "I would believe, share with me your faith." So without argument we will be steadfast in that which we know to be true as it has been revealed to man through the Church. We will learn that in standing fast we serve best, in sharing that by which we live. It has always been a function of the chosen race to defend this Faith—the Faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner against sin, the world and the devil and so to continue Christ's faithful servant and soldier to our life's end.



DIOCESAN CONFERENCE CENTER

The following list shows the type of meetings scheduled for the Diocesan Conference Center since its opening:
April 30—Program Planning Day, Woman's Auxiliary

April 30-May 1—Parish group from St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, 15 teen age girls, 8 adults

May 7-8—Youth Council and Annual Youth Convention

May 14-16—Parish Planning Group, Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester

May 17—Luncheon Meeting, Department of Christian Education

May 21-23—Intensive Week End, Department of Christian Education

June 4-5—Vestry Planning Session, Church of the Advent, Kennett Square

June 4-6—Intensive Week End, Department of Christian Education

June 20-26—First Summer Youth Conference, Department of Christian Education

In the DIOCESE

HENRY STUART PAYNTER, *Editor*

Trinity Church, Oxford, has been equipped with new kneeling cushions and plans are under way for the installation of a new roof and other renovations to the church building.

The Rev. S. Tagart Steele, rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, was the special speaker at a meeting of the men of the Church of the Resurrection, Mayfair, on a Tuesday night in Lent.

The Rev. Wm. Hugh Fryer, rector of the Church of the Trinity, Coatesville, recently conducted a "quiet morning" at St. George's Church, Ardmore.

A carillon guild to play the chimes at St. Paul's Church, Chester, has been organized with boys of 15 years of age or older.

At the Church of the Epiphany, Royersford, a recent service of Holy Baptism was preceded by a service for the adoption of a child. The infant adopted and baptized was Robert George Peiffer.

Mrs. W. Clark Hanna has been appointed as Historiographer for the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown. She will collect and arrange items of interest, newspaper clippings and pictures pertaining to history and activities of the parish.

The parish offices of St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, have been moved to the first floor of the old rectory, which is now known as St. Mary's Church House. The assistant, the Rev. Lewis L. Perkins and Mrs. Perkins occupy an apartment on the second floor of this building.

The men of St. Bartholomew's Church, 25th and Lehigh Avenue, are converting one of the rooms on the first floor of the parish house into a chapel.

At St. Giles Church, Stonehurst, new venetian blinds have been installed in the parish house, aluminum casement windows are replacing wooden window frames in the basement of the Sunday School, basement class rooms have been repainted, and a new altar installed in the primary room.

Bishop Armstrong served as a member of a committee of sponsors for an Institute on Judaism and Christianity held at Temple University on April 26.

As a result of the weekly radio broadcast from the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, contact has been established with some 700 families from whom letters have been received and who look to this parish as "their church."

At St. Luke's Church, Kensington, Mrs. Roy Nagle and Mrs. James Chambers have made new blue and white vestments for the junior choir. Messrs. Tom McCall, Don Gee, Adolph Stressman, and Norman Bozarth have repainted the Church School room and the boiler room of St. Luke's parish house.

The Vestry of St. James Church, Kingsessing, has appropriated \$50.00 as a gift to St. Cyprian's Mission, toward the installation of an oil burner in the church.

A reception for the members of the recent Confirmation class, and their friends, was given by the members of Grace Church and The Incarnation. The Rev. A. N. Redding, rector, and Mrs. Redding celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary at the same time and were presented with a "Happy Anniversary" cake.

The Church of the Redeemer, Springfield, has acquired a new rectory, located at 144 W. Springfield Road, across the street from the church.

At St. Stephen's Church, Clifton Heights, when the 87th birthday of the rector, the Rev. George W. Barnes, was celebrated, his parishioners presented him with a television receiving set.

Bishop Armstrong was the noonday Lenten preacher in St. Paul's Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., during the last week in March.

Choruses and instrumentalists of Haverford and Bryn Mawr Colleges presented a festival of the works of Heinrich Schultze on April 9 at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, 13th below Spruce Street.

Dean Gifford, of the Philadelphia Divinity School, returned to his former parish, St. Thomas, Mamaroneck, N. Y., as a Lenten preacher.

The Rev. James R. MacColl, rector of St. Thomas Church, Whitemarsh, will spend two months in Puerto Rico this summer as group leader for a group of seminary students who will work with the native clergy of that Missionary District under the auspices of the Overseas Department of the National Council of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Preston Ough, a candidate for Holy Orders from St. John's Church, Lansdowne, and a student at the Philadelphia Divinity School, has been assigned by the Overseas Department to observe missionary work in Cuba this summer.

The Choir of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, under the direction of Ernest Wells, sang "Great and Glorious is the Name of the Lord of Hosts" by Dickinson in the Academy of Music on March 30.

Mr. George Sophocles, of Chester, spoke to the Young People's Meeting of St. George's Church, Ardmore, on the Greek Orthodox Church. The Junior Altar Guild of St. George's Church, Ardmore, recently visited St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, to observe the altar vestments and symbols of that church.

Many organists from this area will be in attendance at the National Convention of the American Guild of Organists at Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., from July 12 to 16.

The Rev. Alfred M. Smith, chaplain at the Eastern Penitentiary, is anxious to find lay men who will volunteer to help him once a month on Sunday morning at 9 a.m. in leading the singing for his services in this institution. Please telephone Ogontz 1284.

Bishop Armstrong recently confirmed a class of eleven men at the Eastern State Penitentiary and one man at the Pennsylvania Tuberculosis Sanitarium (the old Lankenau Hospital).

Miss Mildred Capron, formerly secretary to the Bishop of Anking, China, and to the Bishop of Wyoming, recently delivered a travelog on "Sky High in Wyoming," in the Academy of Music under the auspices of the Geographical Society of Philadelphia.

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As we go to press, the following parishes and missions have sent us lists of 25 or more. This listing represents less than 1/2 of all the parishes and missions in the diocese. If those not on this list will send in their subscriptions now, we will be able to approach more nearly the goal toward which we strive, "Every family in the diocese should receive THE CHURCH NEWS in their homes." For further information telephone the office of THE CHURCH NEWS: LOcust 7-6650.

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CITY MISSION HEADQUARTERS

On May 18 Bishop Hart will rededicate the offices of the City Mission, 225 S. 3rd Street. The occasion marks the 84th anniversary of its founding. The headquarters of the City Mission have been located in old St. Paul's Church for about 50 years. Built in 1761, remodeled in the early part of the 19th century, the recent alterations

have greatly improved the accommodations for the expanding work of the City Mission.

The Clergy of the diocese, officials of various diocesan woman's organizations, representatives of other health and welfare agencies, City officials, and the general public have been invited to attend the rededication ceremonies and tea. The meeting will open at 2:30 P.M., with Bishop Hart presiding and offering the opening prayer. Jas Somers Smith, Jr., Vice-President of the Board of Council will speak briefly on the Work of the City Mission, and then Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel of Washington, will speak on "Health and Welfare Needs of the Nation and the Place of the Church Agency." After a brief explanation of "The New Quarters and Their Purposes" by the Rev. Arnold Purdie, Executive Director, Bishop Hart will dedicate the new quarters.

Following the formal ceremonies there will be a reception and tea arranged by the Rededication Committee of which the co-chairmen are Mrs. Edward J. Parnum, chairman, Woman's Auxiliary Diocesan Committee, and Mrs. Paul Banks, member of the Woman's Auxiliary, Department of Christian Social Relations. Other members of the committee are Mrs. George Trowbridge, also a member of the Woman's Auxiliary, Department of Christian Social Relations; Mrs. Charles Penrose and Miss Margaret Goodwin, members of the Visiting Committee of the Smith Memorial Home; and Mrs. Henry Nash, member of the Woman's Committee of All Saints' Hospital.



Old St. Paul's Church.
Headquarters, Philadelphia City Mission.

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President's Message

In the Springtime we are tempted to relax, but in Auxiliary work this is the time we must be busy preparing for the Fall. Good planning cannot be postponed, and now is the moment to set next year's stage. What are your hopes and aspirations for the women of your parish for the coming year? As Dean McNairy said at our Corporate Communion Breakfast, "we need fewer 'ashes and dishes' organizations, and fewer social clubs in the Church, and more prayer groups and redeemed fellowships." Pray that the women of the Church may seek the Lord and learn His ways.

"O God, open our hearts and minds to every call from Thee that all our service may be to Thy glory."

Our Representatives

Two women are our official representatives from the Diocese to the Department of Woman's Work of the Philadelphia Council of Churches. At its April meeting the Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary elected its representatives; Mrs. George S. Munson to serve until May, 1956, and Mrs. William Irwin to serve until May, 1957. Other Episcopal women who are serving on the Board of the Council or on the Woman's Department are elected by the Council.

The Synod

When the 25th Synod of the Province of Washington meets in Philadelphia, October 19, 20 and 21, the women of the Diocese will be called upon to be hostesses. If you care to offer hospitality, drive a car, act as registrar or hostess at the Church House, or help in any way, kindly notify the Woman's Auxiliary office. We want to give our many guests from the thirteen dioceses of the Province a hearty welcome.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Province will hold its meetings at Trinity Memorial Church, 22nd and Spruce Streets.

On April 21st the Diocesan Board elected the following delegates to the Synod: Mrs. Charles Myers, Mrs. James G. Ludwig, Mrs. Samuel Kirkpatrick; alternates: Mrs. Arthur L. Worthey, Mrs. Chauncey D. Robinson and Mrs. James Sands.

Hood Conference— A Delegate's Testimony

"Last June I had the pleasure of representing the Woman's Auxiliary at the Conference at Hood College, Frederick, Maryland.

"This Conference was the most stimulating experience mentally, physically, and spiritually that I ever encountered. I wish I could convey to you the air, or feeling, the 'oneness' of 425 people, all eager to grow to a deeper and more intelligent Christian Life.

"Mentally and spiritually I was confused and exhilarated. But that condition is good. You are moved out of your complacency and satisfaction with yourself and the people you represent. You find real fellowship: clergy, vestrymen, choir leaders, Church School teachers, auxiliary, Girls' Friendly and Young People. All with similar problems. Yes, parish problems can be solved at home, but sometimes you need to go away to get a different perspective to rediscover how much your Church means to you."

Plan now for all parish groups to be represented at the Conference June 13-19, 1954.

For programs and details contact the Woman's Auxiliary Office at the Church House.

May Fete

The Episcopal Hospital May Fete will be held in the Hospital Grounds, Front Street and Lehigh Avenue, on Wednesday, May 26th, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. There will be all the usual attractions, booths, plants, etc. Lunch and supper will be served and the Snack Bar will serve food all day. There will be amusements for the children and fun for all. Come and spend an enjoyable day, and help the Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service reach its quota in the drive for the new Hospital building.

Diocesan Spring Retreat

At St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue. Conductor, the Rev. H. Lawrence Whittemore, Jr. Retreat opens May 31 at 5 p.m., closes June 1 at 3:15 p.m. Please register early at the Woman's Auxiliary office.

Trip to Mission

All delegates and friends are invited to join with the Domestic Committee in a pilgrimage to St. Stephen's Mission, Waretown, N. J. on Tuesday, May 18th. Bus will leave the Church House at 8:00 a.m. Transportation \$2.50. Luncheon provided, no charge. Make reservations with Mrs. L. Harry Richards on May 12th at the Church House.

Washington Cathedral Trip

The National Cathedral Association of S. E. Pennsylvania invites all to join them on a trip to Washington on May 22nd. The trip will include a tour of the White House and Washington, and a pilgrimage to the Cathedral. Write or call Mrs. Roland Whitehurst, 627 W. Cliveden Street, Victor 4-8557 for all details.

Planning Next Year's Program?

The two program planning meetings held April 28th and April 30th have started our thinking on next year's program, and a packet for parish Presidents is being mailed the middle of May.

Because many auxiliaries found special emphases for special seasons helpful in planning last years work, we are again suggesting certain major emphases for the seasons of 1954-1955.

The Fall Emphasis: "The City" has been chosen for major emphasis. This is the interdenominational home study subject and much new material will be available. We have already discovered how vital are the problems of the Urban Church and because of this wide concern, three of our Woman's Auxiliary Departments, Missions, Diocesan Affairs and Christian Social Relations, will make this a joint project. For help in planning your parish program:

Hear Bishop Warnecke, May 24th
Attend Missionary Institute, Sept. 22
Come to the special meeting at the Church House, Sept. 29

Read "Man and God in the City" by Kenneth D. Miller (\$1.25)

Watch for new films and other material

Advent Emphasis: "Personnel." This emphasis has been selected because one of the greatest needs of our church

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is for trained workers. Read "This is Personnel." Use the excellent leaflets, the panel and speakers available to help parishes feature this important subject in their programs. Watch CHURCH NEWS for date of the meeting on "Personnel."

Epiphany Emphasis: "India." This is the overseas mission study subject. Read "Under Three Flags" by Stephen Neill. Attend the Missionary Institute, Sept. 22. Watch for new films, material and meetings.

Lenten Emphasis: "Prayer and Worship." In this season special attention will be given to developing our spiritual life which is always our deep concern. Recommended Lenten reading will of course include the new volumes in the Church's Teaching Series. Watch for announcements concerning new material and meetings.

Spring Emphasis: "You and the General Convention." This subject was chosen that we may know how the

activities of the General Convention and the Triennial Meeting may affect our parishes and missions.

In General: The above suggestions may or may not be suitable for your parish's program. Additional subjects and materials such as the reports of The Anglican Congress and the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches, a study of the United Nations Charter, World Relief, the new leaflets in the series "This is our Business," the new devotional material, and a number of others will be available.

Elizabeth Price Martin League No. 1

The Elizabeth Price Martin League, No. 1, at the Philadelphia General Hospital, wishes to thank the Woman's Auxiliaries which responded so generously to the article "Help Wanted." New workers are enjoying their work; and many new groups are supporting the work by special projects in their auxiliaries.

Reminder

Annual Meeting and United Thank Offering Service.

The time: Monday, May 24th from 10:30 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.

The Place: Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, 51st and Spruce Streets

The Speakers: Bishop Phillips, Bishop Warnecke

Lea Hill Memorials

The many friends of Mrs. John E. Hill will be happy to know that at its April meeting The Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary voted that gifts given in her memory through the Book of Remembrance be used to create The Lea Hill Scholarship Fund. The fund will be used for the training of women for full time work in the Church, which was one of Mrs. Hill's special interests.

Also, the 1954 Mission Study offering has been dedicated to her memory. This offering provided a communion set for St. Theodore's Hospital in Sagada. It was blessed and used at the Corporate Communion of the women of the diocese on March 25th, marked "In Memoriam Lea Farmer Hill, given by the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary 1954," and has been sent to the Philippines. Another part of this offering will be used for work among Spanish-speaking Americans in St. Anne's Mission, El Paso, Texas.

The 1954 Spring United Thank Offering of the whole diocese will be dedicated to her memory at the service on May 24th. Other gifts in her memory were made to the John E. Hill Memorial Fund, from which grants are made to the clergy and other church workers.

The Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service at the Episcopal Hospital has voted to use the first \$10,000 it raises for the Centennial Fund of the hospital for a memorial to Mrs. Hill.

Her parish church, St. Paul's, 15th & Porter Sts., the Woman's Aid of the Convocation of South Phila., the Mission Study Alumnae, the Rectory Club and members of the Church Training and Deaconess House Board are among the groups joining with the Diocesan Board and her friends in this Memorial Scholarship Fund. Gifts for this Fund should be sent to Mrs. Edward Ingersoll, Spring House, Pa. and drawn to "The Book of Remembrance."

Calendar of Events

All meetings at the Church House at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise stated. Light lunch served Wednesdays and Fridays.

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3:00 p.m.—Church of the Resurrection,
Broad & Tioga Streets
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Speaker—2 P.M. |
| Fri., May 14
Elizabeth Price Martin League No. 2
Episcopal Hospital—10:30 a.m. | Tues., May 25
Woman's Aid—South Phila. Convocation
Spring Meeting—3:15 P.M.
St. John the Evangelist Church
3rd and Reed Sts. |
| Tues., May 18
Pilgrimage to St. Stephens' Mission,
Waretown, N. J.
Make reservations with Domestic Committee | Wed., May 26
May Fete—Episcopal Hospital
10 A.M. to 10 P.M. |
| Tues., May 18
Rededication Tea
2:30 p.m. City Mission | Wed., May 26
Elizabeth Price Martin League No. 1
Philadelphia General Hospital—Chaplains
office 2 P.M. |
| Wed., May 19
Overseas Committee | Tues., June 8
Convocation of Germantown, Garden
Day at Drumm Moir, 3 to 7 p.m.
Admission 25 cents. Refreshments to
be sold. |
| Wed., May 19
Evening Auxiliary
Trip to Conference Center | Fri., June 11
Elizabeth Price Martin League No. 2
Episcopal Hospital—10:30 A.M. |
| Thurs., May 20
Woman's Auxiliary—Chester Convocation
Holy Comforter, Aronimink | June 13-19
Hood Conference, Frederick, Maryland |
| Fri., May 21
Christian Social Relations | |

Department of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

MAJOR SPRING EVENTS

YOUTH CONVENTION Conference Center **MAY 8TH—1:00-9:00 P.M.**

Theme: CROSSROADS—Which way to life?

Speaker: The Rev. Ernest A. de Bordenave
Rector, Old Christ Church

Business sessions . . . Worship . . . Installation of
Officers . . . Picnic supper . . . Fun

YOUTH SUNDAY and OFFERING In local parish **MAY 9TH**

One of the four MAJORS . . .
the Youth Offering is for Youth Work in Haiti

Make check payable to Department of Christian
Education—Youth Offering and send in as soon as
possible.

PRESENTATION SERVICE Episcopal Academy **MAY 16TH—4:00 P.M.**

Bishop Hart will be the preacher at the presentation
of the Lenten Offering

CURRICULUM PLANNING DAYS Room 30 Church House

MAY 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

JUNE 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10

Please come by appointment only—call or write for
date and time

INTENSIVE WEEKENDS Conference Center **MAY 21ST-23RD** **JUNE 4TH-6TH**

These parish life conferences will be held at the Con-
ference Center and the cost will be \$10.00 per
person. A total of eight conferences have been held
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JUNE 20TH-26TH

Chaplain—The Rev. Philemon F. Sturges, Rector,
St. Martin-in-the-Fields and chairman, Youth
Commission

Lecturer—The Rev. Charles S. Martin, Headmaster,
St. Alban's School and Canon of the Washington
Cathedral.

Rate: \$25.00

JUNE 27TH-JULY 2ND

Chaplain—The Rev. Philemon F. Sturges

Lecturer—The Rev. Thomas vanB. Barrett, Rector,
Robert E. Lee Memorial Church, Lexington, Va.
and well known writer.

Rate: \$21.00

PROVINCIAL CONFERENCES CONFERENCE OF THE PROVINCE OF WASHINGTON Hood College, Frederick, Md.

JUNE 13TH-19TH

Theme: Christ and His Modern Rivals

Leader: The Rev. Chad Walsh, Ph.D., Professor of
English, Beloit College and noted author.

Rate: \$33.00

PROVINCIAL SUMMER SCHOOL FOR CHURCH WORKERS St. Paul's, Lawrenceville, Va.

JULY 12TH-16TH

Theme: Our Church—A Christian Approach to
Racial Understanding and Goodwill

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JUNE 20TH-26TH

Rate: Approx. \$24.00

PLANNING DAYS Summer In the local parish Vacation Church School . . . Summer Session of the Church School . . . Family Services . . . Family Study Groups . . . Family Projects . . . Junior Choirs . . . Story Hours . . . Drama Groups . . . Day Camping in the Parish.

For full details see "Our Summer Opportunities, guide
prepared by this department.

The New Church in Levittown Is Now Occupied

With the location of a new steel plant along the Delaware River in Bucks County and the construction of thousands of homes to house the workers, our Episcopal Church was challenged to meet the urgent situation of giving spiritual care and direction to the people who began to move into this area.

The Diocese was given a tract of land by the Levitt Corporation in Levittown on condition that a church structure should be built within two years. A careful survey was made by a committee from the Philadelphia Council of Churches, known as the Research and Planning Committee. From its report we felt justified in planning to establish a church to minister to Episcopalians, as well as those without any church connection.

In October, 1952, a house was purchased in the heart of the new housing development and the Rev. Stanley Powell, vicar of St. Paul's Mission, Edgley, was placed in residence to minister to the people of the new community.

On June 28, 1953, Bishop Armstrong conducted a service for the breaking of ground for the first unit, and construction was started.

The new church was used for the first time on Palm Sunday, when the total attendance at all the services for the day was 555. On Easter Day

Bishop Hart confirmed a class of 25 persons at a service marking the official opening of this new church, when over 500 persons were crowded in for this one service, and many more were turned away.

The building is very striking in appearance, with low side walls and a sharply pitched roof surmounted by a graceful slender spire, capped with a glistening silver cross. The interior is worshipful and dignified. A partition divides the building, so that Sunday School and other parish activities can be adequately housed. When the partition is opened comfortable seating arrangements with cathedral type chairs can be made for 350 persons.

The value of the ground is estimated at \$20,000; the diocese has advanced \$110,000 to cover the cost of construction. The local congregation is planning to repay some of this amount. A canvass among the people has resulted in pledges for \$28,000.

TEN YEARS OF PROGRESS AT ST. THOMAS CHURCH, WEST PHILA.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the rectorship of the Rev. Jesse F. Anderson at St. Thomas Church, 52d and Parish Streets. The following is a summary of progress during this period:



The Rev. Stanley A. Powell, Jr., Vicar, greets worshipers after first service in new Church at Levittown.



Levittown Choir in Palm Sunday Procession.

983 persons have been confirmed. Counting transfers from other parishes, well over 1,000 communicants have been added. Approximately 4,200 services have been held in the church and in homes.

Before the fire the mortgage upon the church property was amortized by 1946, when the church was consecrated. The organ was moved at a total cost of \$14,000. Office machines and other equipment were purchased and paid for. The church building was steam cleaned. At the time of the fire, Dec. 20, 1951, the parish was entirely free from indebtedness.

Since the church was rebuilt after the fire and occupied by the congregation, the following details have been accomplished: \$4,500 paid on the organ in one year by the Men's Fellowship, \$5,500 cash paid for chairs, \$500 paid for carpeting, cushions and curtains, \$500 in memorial sanctuary and spirit lamps, \$250 in memorial chairs to Dr. Bagnall, \$1,000 for mimeograph, addressograph, motion picture, slide projector, typewriter; \$700 for 14 steel cabinets and safe, \$700 paid by Music Committee for baby grand piano, \$400 for kitchen supplies and equipment; miscellaneous equipment and supplies, including altar materials, \$1,000; sign and refinishing all altar brasses, over \$1,000; mortgage reduced to \$67,000 from \$80,000, plus \$10,000 paid in cash to complete construction; with all these local expenditures the United Thank Offering and children's Lenten Offering were increased greatly over what had been given previously. The parish is lending its support to the general work of the Church by participating fully in the Builders for Christ Campaign.

WITH OUR ARMED FORCES

Returning from a two months preaching mission to the Air Force Installations in Germany, The Rev. Dr. Alfred W. Price, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Tenth Street, above Chestnut, Philadelphia, reports in glowing terms his impressions of U. S. Armed Forces personnel abroad, the job they are doing, the conditions they face and the great missionary opportunity offered to the Chaplaincy in winning the unchurched numbers to loyalty to Christ and His Church.

We are living today in a *military economy* and as a result of the vast change which has taken place in the national life, the pattern of daily living for millions of our young people is radically different from what it was a few years ago. Approximately 3,600,000 Americans are today in military service. Every boy born during the next 25 years will spend at least two years in the Armed Forces. About the same number leave. There are a million more young men in the Armed Forces today than there are in all the institutions of higher education. It is estimated that in the two decades between 1941 and 1961 26,000,000 men will have gone in and out of the Armed Forces.

These millions of young people are away from their homes, schools, churches and all their normal associations. They are facing loneliness, insecurity and uncertainty about their future. They are exposed to greater moral temptations than at home.

The responsibility of the churches in the situation is manifold. They must give strong backing—both in spiritual support and in personnel—to the Chaplains in the Armed Forces.

I was very much impressed by the consecration of the Chaplains, by their great zeal in helping the men solve their personal problems, and by the wide co-operation and support they receive from the Air Force Command. The respected place of the Chaplaincy today is in marked contrast with its reception in World War I. I had an opportunity to observe the latter situation when I served as a private with the Marines in France. The Chaplain's ministry is no longer a limited ministry to men; now he serves them and their families. All the Air Force Bases I visited in Germany had flourishing Sunday Schools.

The growing awareness in military leaders of the spiritual needs of the

three and a half million in the Armed Forces is most significant. The American churches are presented with a very special challenge—a challenge that every denomination is rallying to meet.

I want to say very definitely that I saw no evidence of low morale. In all the installations that I visited I found the men had a vivid sense of their mission. The officers and men were interested and responsive to my visit and enthusiastic to the efforts which the Chaplains are making. The Mission Services were extremely well attended.

I share the feeling of most Chaplains that I met that the teen-age boys should not be sent overseas. They are subjected to all the temptations that go with being away from home and living with a group of young people freed, in many cases for the first time, from parental and home influences. Like the rest of the population of the United States, over half of these youngsters owe no allegiance to any religious body.

Herein lies a tremendous missionary opportunity offered to the Chaplaincy in winning the unchurched numbers to loyalty to Christ and His Church. There is need of fifty Episcopal Chaplains in the Armed Forces to fill our quota. There are 115 Episcopal Chaplains now on active duty. There are approximately 3,000 Chaplains in the Armed Forces. Our Church must provide many of our best younger ministers for the Chaplaincy for it is one of the most strategic forms of the Christian ministry today.

PROGRESS AT HOUSE OF PRAYER

The House of Prayer, Branchtown, under Bishop Roberts as vicar, reports progress in church attendance and in giving. In the church a new lace super frontal and altar cloths have recently been given in loving memory of John Mullineaux and Harry Tucker. The woodwork in the church has been cleaned and the brass polished, walls repainted, kneelers have been recovered and new pew cushions procured, and repairs have been made to the electric wiring. In the parish house the basement and hallway have been repainted. A new back door and stairs have been added to the rectory. The grounds have been improved with a new drive way, new fence, flower beds and dogwood trees. A new church sign has been installed.

FOR THE HARD OF HEARING

A visitor to Philadelphia, window shopping on Market Street on a Sunday evening, may be surprised when chimes start pealing nearby. These bells are calling to worship at old St. Stephen's Church around the corner on South Tenth Street.

As the congregation gathers, the greetings are markedly warm and cordial; and the unusually friendly atmosphere in the church indicates a deep community of interest. This is the special weekly service of the Episcopal Chapel for the Hard of Hearing. The congregation, of various denominations, is drawn from all sections of the city and suburbs and even from neighboring New Jersey. Most of those present use the powerful headphones provided by the church. They carry every sound from five strategically placed microphones so that each and every worshipper can take an active part in the service. The responses are strong and perfectly timed. And how those hard of hearing love to sing the old familiar hymns!

Of course, there is a story behind this Chapel. The Rev. Gustav Meckling was finishing his course in the Philadelphia Divinity School and was about to enter the ministry when he realized that his hearing was impaired. At first it seemed he must change his entire plan of life. He joined the Philadelphia League for the Hard of Hearing and became interested in its activities. The thought came to him that these people needed and wanted the comfort of a church with its services, but that they could not worship happily with the ordinary congregation nor with the deaf who use the "sign" language. So here he found his life's work. The first services were held in the League rooms and later transferred to St. Stephen's Church on Tenth Street below Market. Actually the Reverend Mr. Meckling finds his deafness an asset in dealing with his parishioners. There is a closer understanding and a total lack of self-consciousness on either part.

A thriving Bible Class, taught by Miss Hannah Yeakle, a former lip reading teacher, plays an important part in the work. The Chapel boasts its own Woman's Auxiliary which organizes a fund raising bazaar every year. And last, but not least, it has the active support and encouragement of St. Stephen's Church and its Rector, Dr. Alfred Price. The work, now in its seventeenth year, has not only been self-supporting, but has contributed to the work of the Diocese.



New Interior, St. Peter's Church, Broomall.

St. Peter's Church, Broomall, Used New Sanctuary Palm Sunday

A \$52,000 addition to St. Peter's Church, Broomall, was occupied for the first time on Palm Sunday, when 296 persons attended the service. The occasion also marked the seventh anniversary of the church in its present location. The mission was originally started in Manoa.

The new addition, attached to the original unit, has almost doubled the size and capacity of the church. In the basement a new kitchen has been added, and a separate room designed for the nursery and primary school. An ample parking area has been provided and a contract has been let for walks and landscaping of the grounds.

On May 23 Bishop Armstrong will administer confirmation and bless a number of memorials, including the following: lancet windows in memory of Francis T. Reinhart, sanctuary windows in memory of William C. Stowe and Charlotte S. Lane, communion rail in memory of Edward C. Schmid, credence table in memory of John Notley Ake and Olive Patchin Ake, clergy chair in memory of Edward Hasenclever, three pews in memory of Dr. J. J. Nelson, Edward Allen Short, Helen Scott Wall.

In addition to the memorials, the following gifts were also blessed: bishop's chair by two members of the congregation, clergy chair by two members of the congregation, two pews in the nave given anonymously; eight pews in the nave were given by the following donors: Mr. and Mrs.

Dwight Folsom, the Grahams, Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Keller, Mr. and Mrs. Halsey M. McLaughlin, H. Robert McLaughlin, the James R. Mathewson family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph F. Shotwell, First Lieutenant William Weise, USMC.

All the chancel furniture and choir pews, together with the altar rail were designed and made by the men of the congregation. A church sign on the grounds was made by and the cost of materials paid for by a member of the congregation.

The following articles were obtained through the efforts of some of the organizations: dossal and brackets, the Altar Guild; altar, refinishing and new pedestal, the Woman's Auxiliary; kneeling cushions and seat pads, the Woman's Auxiliary; stained glass windows in the nursery room, the Sunday School Association; painting of the church walls, the Woman's Auxiliary; a stainless steel sink, St. Peter's Guild and the Wattis Plan.

PLANS FOR ORELAND

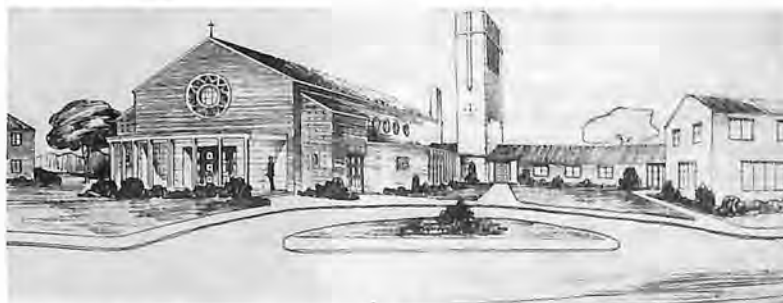
The Victory of the Resurrection had particular meaning at St. Philip's four Easter Services. An immediate Building Fund goal of \$75,233.85 in pledges over 150 weeks was announced. The committee is confident that \$100,000.00 will be realized in the three year period, 1954-1957, for St. Philip-in-the-Fields building program.

The sketch of the Church Building by Architect, William Heyl Thompson won the unanimous approval of the Mission's Building Committee at the outset of the intensive campaign for funds which began in early March. Present Parish House facilities for worship and Christian Education have reached the saturation point. A rapidly growing population in Springfield and Upper Dublin Townships makes it imperative that St. Philip's initiate its building program immediately. The Philadelphia Council of Churches warns that St. Philip's cannot meet the challenge of the next six years without adequate physical expansion.

The new building will not only provide needed space for the church's worship but will also free the entire parish house for the growing Church School which now totals 250 students. The full basement of the proposed building will allow parish activities, as well as a youth program not possible under present limitations.

Looking to the future the Rev. Joseph Tatnall, Vicar, and St. Philip's Vestry secured almost an acre of nearby land for parking and playground development, last January.

Of artistic interest in the new building will be the stained glass windows from the Widener Chapel at Broad Street and Olney Avenue. They were executed by Felix Joubert in 1910 and are presently stored at the Philadelphia Divinity School.



Sketch of proposed expanded plant at St. Philip-in-the-Fields, Oreland.

New Rectory at St. Luke's, Chester

A new rectory for the present Vicar of St. Luke's Chapel, Highland Gardens, Chester, was blessed by Bishop Roberts recently, at the time of his visitation to the Chapel for Confirmation. The Bishop; the Rector of St. Paul's (of which the Chapel is a part), the Rev. John H. Hauser; the Vicar of St. Luke's (who is also Associate Rector of St. Paul's), the Rev. George F. Dutton; and the Chapel Committee were present at the dedication ceremony.

Ground breaking ceremonies for the new rectory were held August 8, 1953. The eight room home, built at a total

cost of \$20,622, was complete and the keys given to the Rev. Mr. Dutton three days before Christmas.

The home contains a living room, dining room, large kitchen, study, and powder room on the first floor, three large bedrooms, sewing room, and bath on the second floor, and finished basement. It is the second of three proposed units. The present Chapel, next to the rectory, built in 1948, is the first unit. It eventually will be the parish house for social purposes. At some later date it is planned to build a new and larger church on the other side of the rectory.



New Rectory for St. Luke's Chapel, Highland Gardens, Chester.

IN THE DIOCESE

The evening branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. John's Church, Norristown, recently sponsored a Saturday bus trip to New York City which included a visit to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, Radio City Music Hall, and a T.V. show.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Faith Church, Brookline, are pleased to announce the following new officers for next year: President, Mrs. Mabel Sanders; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Carl A. Schmidt; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Norman Lobb, Jr.; Treasurer, Mrs. William Bernstein; Secretary, Mrs. Charles Wood; United Thank Offering Custodian, Mrs. Charles Perkins. The new Advisor to the Acolytes' Guild will be Mr. Charles Perkins. A Card Party was recently given by the Acolytes and the

Woman's Auxiliary to earn money for much needed equipment and gowns for the boys.

IN THE DIOCESE

Mr. George B. Wood, a senior at the Philadelphia Divinity School who has been in charge of the Church of St. John the Baptist, Germantown, will be succeeded by Mr. James T. Berger, another student at the P.D.S. Just before Easter the exterior of this church was given a new coat of paint.

Mrs. P. Blair Lee, Diocesan Custodian, spoke at a breakfast following an early service for the ingathering of the United Thank Offering of the women of St. Faith Church, Brookline.

The choirs of St. James Church, Bristol, and Trinity Church, Oxford, worked together in preparation of "Olivet to Calvary" which was produced in both churches during Holy Week.

THE HOUSE OF REST

The Board Members of the House of Rest are very grateful to the many friends, who made our beautiful chapel possible; and to the CHURCH NEWS for its Monthly Column covering the progress and activities of this, your Diocesan Home for the Aged.

The picture shows the House Family assembled in the Chapel for Worship. This is truly a Church Home; where the spirit, and affection and cooperation of its members, and its staff, make possible a smooth and efficient management.

This year the 64th anniversary of its founding, will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 5th, with the annual Donation Day Tea.

You are cordially invited to come, inspect the Home, visit the ladies in their rooms, and enjoy a cup of tea with your fellow Episcopalians.



Chapel of the Guardian Angels at the House of Rest in Germantown.

The Work of the Church At the Episcopal Hospital

Episcopal Hospital reports that, as of March first, 172 churches in the Diocese have contributed through the Thanksgiving offering this year a total of \$15,150.64. This offering for 1953 will help finance the Chaplaincy Program, which maintains the beautiful chapel at the Hospital, provides the services of a Chaplain and supports the work of his office. It will also help to defray expenses for clergymen of the Diocese and members of their families who come to Episcopal Hospital for operations or bed care and are without sufficient funds to pay for all expenses.

Few church members realized, when they made their Thanksgiving offering for the Hospital this year, that they were continuing a tradition which extends all the way back to 1856. In those early years the annual Thanksgiving offering constituted the chief outside support of the Hospital. In 1872, for example, the offering from the Diocese came to \$14,535, covering almost a third of the total Hospital expenses of about \$48,000 for that year.

Today, with annual operating expenses close to \$2,000,000, the Hospital must of necessity depend on many



The Rev. Arthur G. Elcombe, Episcopal Hospital Chaplain, making bedside visit.

other outside sources of support. The Thanksgiving Offering of the Diocese is still an important source of income, however, and helps to carry on the service of the Church, even though the Hospital has been non-denominational since 1946.



At Episcopal Hospital Centennial Fund Dinner Left to right: State Senator Bernard Tomkins of New York, Governor John S. Fine, Lt. Governor Lloyd H. Wood, Bishop Hart.

IN GOD'S KEEPING

The Rev. Joseph W. B. Stewart, a retired priest of this diocese, died on March 23 and was buried from St. Peter's Church, 3d and Pine Streets, on March 26. He came here from Canada, served on the staff of St. Peter's Church from 1911 until 1919, when he was made vicar of the Chapel of the Holy Comforter, 19th and Titan Streets, retiring in 1944.

Mr. Joseph B. McCall, a former vestryman at the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, died March 26 and was buried March 27.

Mr. William A. Rex Schultze, a former vestryman of the Church of the Atonement, Morton, died March 30 and was buried April 1.

Miss Ellen Morris, long an active worker in the Girls' Friendly Society and in the parish life of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, and in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, died on March 31. The burial service was held in the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, with interment in the church yard, on April 2.

The Rev. Warren M. Smaltz, Priest-in-Charge of All Soul's Church for the deaf from 1923 to 1932, died on April 5 at his home in Mt. Gretna, Pa., and was buried on April 7 from St. Luke's Church, Lebanon, Pa.

Mr. Owen B. Lewis, formerly president of the Church Club of Philadelphia, and Rector's Warden of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, died April 17 and was buried from his parish church April 20.

Mr. Russell Branson, Rector's Warden of the Church of St. Simon the Cyrenian, 22d and Reed Streets, died on April 22 and was buried from the church on April 26.

Mr. William Hagy, a former vestryman of the Church of St. John the Baptist, Germantown, died and was buried from the church during Easter week.

Mr. Horace A. Melling, who served as organist in several of our churches in the Kensington area, died on May 7 and was buried on May 11 from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cumberland and Collins Streets, where he was organist at the time of his death.

IN THE DIOCESE

The men of Trinity Mission, Gulph Mills, for the second time have recently promoted a Smorgasbord dinner which was attended by several hundred people and was a great financial success. Al Mathis, the steward at the Gulph Mills Golf Club, directed the technical arrangements.

The very active group of Boy Scouts of Grace Church and The Incarnation, Edgemont and Venango Streets, were awarded first prize for the best window display in their district during the Boy Scout anniversary week. They also received a citation for 100% attendance. Making their own costumes, they put on a very creditable show—"The Wizard of Oz" for their friends.

ST. MARGARET'S HOUSE

At St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 44, Pa.

A Quiet Day for Women, Rogation Tuesday, May 25th, 1954. Holy Eucharist 8:30 a.m. First Meditation 10:15 a.m. Day closes at 3:15 p.m. Conductor: The Reverend Emmett P. Paige.

A Quiet Evening, Saturday, May 29th from 4:30 to 9:00 p.m. Conductor: The Reverend John A. Schultz.

Please register early with the Sister-in-Charge, Victor 4-4612.

ANNUNCIATION DAY SERVICE FOR LOWER BUCKS COUNTY

The women of the 12 Episcopal churches of Lower Bucks County held a Corporate Communion Service at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 25, on the Feast of the Annunciation at the Episcopal Church of The Incarnation, Morrisville.

This service co-incided with the Pennsylvania Diocesan Annual Corporate Communion on this day, at Christ Church in Philadelphia. The Rev. William T. Warren, Jr., celebrated the Eucharist, with the Rev. William B. Stimson, of Yardley, preaching the sermon.

A fellowship and coffee hour followed. The Rev. Stanley A. Powell, of Levittown, spoke of his work with the church in that community. Hostesses for the day were Mrs. Thomas B. Stockham, Jr., Mrs. Willard S. Curtin and Mrs. Walter D. Hazard.

DIOCESAN DINNER FOR CLERGY, CHOIRMASTERS AND ORGANISTS

The Commission on Music of the Diocese will hold a dinner to which the Organists and Choirmasters and the Clergy are invited, on Tuesday, May 25th at 6:30 P.M. at the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill. Mr. Vernon de Tar, Organist and Choirmaster at the Church of the Ascension, Fifth Avenue in New York will be the speaker. Mr. de Tar is on the faculty at Juilliard where he teaches Church music. He is to be the Organist at the Bach Festival in Bethlehem this month.

Reservations for this dinner, which will be \$1.50 per plate, may be made by anyone interested, not later than May 20th, by addressing it to: Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, 8000 St. Martin's Lane, Philadelphia 18, Pa. Attention—Mr. Harry Wilkinson.

FORTY YEARS AGO

The Bishop Whitaker Memorial Church of St. Barnabas, 64th Street and Haverford Avenue, was consecrated by Bishop Garland on June 14, 1914.

The new Church of the Redemption, 56th and Market Streets, was opened for the first service on Wednesday, May 20th, 1914, when Bishop Garland preached and confirmed.

The new Church of St. Simon the Cyrenian, 22d and Reed Streets, was dedicated Oct. 18, 1914. The Rev. John R. Logan, who is now the rector, was vicar when the church was built.

The Rev. Caleb Cresson, now retired, was ordained deacon June 12 and priest December 20, 1914.

The Rev. William LaRue Witmer, vicar at the Cathedral Church of Christ, Roxborough, was ordained deacon June 6, 1914.

ANNUAL TEA AT ST. ANNA'S HOME

The Annual Tea of St. Anna's Home, 2016 Race St., will be held on May 19th at 4 o'clock. A warm welcome is extended to all those interested in the work of the Episcopal Church.

Due to its quiet and unpublicized work, few people are aware of this home for elderly women, which has been maintained for over forty years by the All Saints Sisters of the Poor.

The guests, who are free to come and go as they wish, pay a modest board, which must be supplemented by those interested in their welfare.

The Sisters, with the help of a few employees, are responsible for the peace and happiness of the home.

To strengthen its work, the Sisters and their supporters hope that many new friends will acquaint themselves with the Home at its Tea on May 19th.

CHURCHWOMAN'S CLUB

At the last Annual Meeting of the Churchwoman's Club Mrs. Harrison B. Wright was elected a vice-president. Mrs. Harry Dickens is serving as finance officer for the coming year.

In April members of the club enjoyed a trip to Charleston, S. C. The trip included visits to Raleigh, N. C., Duke University, and Pinehurst, and beautiful gardens: Magnolia, Middleton Place, and Cyprus Gardens.

The annual card party and tea was held at the home of the Colonial Dames, 1630 Latimer Street, Tuesday, May 4. Mrs. Birchall Hammer was chairman. Mrs. Harrison B. Wright and Mrs. M. Renshaw Butler were hostesses at the tea table.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Girls' Friendly Society in this Diocese is bringing to a close what they believe to have been a very successful and helpful season, the highlights of which have been reported in previous issues of the CHURCH NEWS.

The closing event was the Annual Council Meeting held at Grace Church, Mt. Airy, on May 1st at which garments provided by Members and Sponsors for St. John the Baptist Cathedral, Puerto Rico, were displayed. Luncheon was provided by the hostess Branch and annual reports of Officers submitted.

The G.F.S. Holiday House in Cape May will open for the renting of rooms on May 28th and will commence serving meals about June 12th. Information regarding reservations may be obtained from Miss Mary Whitman, 3644 N. Percy Street, Philadelphia 40.

The shadow of bereavement has again crossed the G.F.S. threshold in the passing of Miss Ellen Morris, well known to and loved by most of the older members of the Society. Miss Morris was a life member and Trustee of the Society for a number of years. She was in charge of Holy Trinity Branch for over forty years, succeeding Miss Cheston (later Mrs. Haines).

THE EPISCOPAL ACADEMY

Frederick C. Haab, Jr., whose home parish is the Church of the Holy Comforter, Drexel Hill, has been elected Senior Warden of the Student Vestry for the school year 1954-55. Other boys elected to the Vestry are: Roger J. Colley, '55, William Lilley, III, '55, Ralph Thayer McLean, '55, Samuel H. French, '56, E. William Ross, '56, David R. Scott, '56, Kenneth L. Jones, Jr., '57, Geoffrey F. Worden, '57, and James W. Zug, '58.

The annual Alumni Memorial Chapel Service was held on Alumni Day, May 7. Chaplain James R. McDowell and The Venerable Albert H. Lucas, '12, Archdeacon of the Diocese of Maryland, and former Assistant Headmaster of the Academy, conducted the service.

The annual corporate communion for the graduating class will take place on Thursday, June 9 at 8 A.M. Alumni and friends of the Academy are cordially invited to the service and to the breakfast which will follow.

The Reverend James G. Hodder, rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Drexel Hill, spoke in Chapel on May 6.

IN THE DIOCESE

The *Saturday Evening Post* published an interesting article in its April 24 issue about the Church Farm School.

The Y.P.F. of St. Barnabas Church, Haddington, recently attended vesper services at the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, then toured the Chapel and the park.

At the Church of the Atonement, Morton, Mr. William Fisher, of Chester, has been appointed as organist and choir master.

The Brotherhood of St. Barnabas Church, Haddington, will hold their 3d annual dinner in the parish house on Wednesday, June 2. The speaker will be Mr. Robert T. McCracken, Chancellor of the Diocese. There will be displays illustrating the work of City Mission, Episcopal Hospital, Old Christ Church and the Canterbury Club of the University of Pennsylvania.

At the Church of the Epiphany, Royersford, the floor of the nave had been refinished; the pews, choir stalls, and other woodwork freshly varnished for Easter.

The 30th anniversary Reunion Dinner of the Young People's Fellowship of the diocese will be held at Trinity Church, Oxford, Saturday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 17th will be devoted to the observance of the 50th Anniversary of the Memorial Church of St. Paul, 15th and Porter Streets. There will be a 50th Anniversary Confirmation Class and a special offering to be added to the Endowment Fund of the parish.

The choir of St. George's Church, Ardmore, recently sang at the Home for Incurables at a Sunday afternoon service conducted by the Rev. Jacob A. Winterstein.

The Seamen's Church Institute of Philadelphia will be host to the Spring Conference of the National Council of Seamen's Agencies to be held in Philadelphia June 22 to 25 with headquarters at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. The Rev. Percy R. Stockman is Registrar.

The Conshohocken Rotary Club devoted a recent meeting to honoring the Rev. Stanley R. West, a long-time member of the club who has resigned as rector of Calvary Church in that community.

The Men's League of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, have installed lights to illuminate the steeple of the church and have supplied additional lights inside and outside the building.

Fifty new cottas for choir and acolytes at the Church of the Advocate, 18th and Diamond Streets, made by the women of the parish, were used for the first time on Easter Day.

Mr. John W. Reinhardt, a lay reader at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, has been named director of promotion for the National Council of the Episcopal Church, succeeding Mr. Robert D. Jordan, who will become executive vice-president of the Episcopal Church Foundation.

Miss Marguerite Krauss has resigned as organist-director of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, and will be succeeded by Mr. A. Addis Zeigler, Jr., formerly of Trinity Church, Ambler.

The large Church School room in the parish house of Trinity Church, Ambler, is being divided into separate class rooms by low partitions.

The Church of the Holy Trinity, Lansdale, with the help of a professional agency, has launched a campaign to raise \$75,000 to enlarge the parish house to take care of its rapidly expanding Church School.

The Young People's Fellowship of St. Giles Church, Stonehurst, are busy making plans for a reunion dinner to be held in the Parish House on Saturday, June 12th. Anyone interested who is a past member of this group and has moved to some far remote part of the community, may make a reservation by calling Barbara Brauker, FL 2-3582.



A Few of the Children in Easter Procession at St. James Church, Bristol, for which women of the parish made 36 nylon veils.

THE REV. GEORGE L. GIBBS HONORED AT ROXBOROUGH

An evensong of Thanksgiving was held at St. Timothy's Church on Sunday, May 9, in recognition of the devoted service of Reverend George L. Gibbs, assistant rector of St. Timothy's. At a reception following the service, Father Gibbs was presented with a surplice and stole made by the Altar Guild and a purse from the congregation. A new chalice was given to the Church on the same occasion as a thank offering for the ministry of Father Gibbs.

St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough, has a set of Stations of the Cross which they will give to any mission or church desiring it. Please get in touch with the Rector, Rev. John C. Crockett.

The cover of the magazine section of the *Sunday Inquirer* on Easter Day was a color reproduction of the mosaic reredos at the high altar of St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough.

FOUNDERS' COMMITTEE TEA

The Founders' Committee of the Cooperative Shop, 1735 Sansom Street, held a Bric-a-brac Tea at the Church House April 21. Each guest brought two salable articles for the shop. Mrs. Oliver J. Hart spoke about her recent trip to the Holy Land. Mrs. James Bush-Brown, of the Pennsylvania School of Horticulture, told of the work of the Neighborhood Garden Association. A check of a substantial amount was presented to Bishop Hart for his Discretionary Fund. The following ladies poured at the tea: Mrs. Oliver J. Hart, Mrs. William R. Nicholson, Mrs. Cushman Newhall, Mrs. Francis R. Packard, and Mrs. Charles Myers.

SOME USED CHURCH FURNITURE

The Rev. F. Lee Richards, St. Andrews-in-the-Field, Somerton, advises us that he has the following surplus property as a result of converting the old Chapel into Sunday School rooms: 2 Chairs (one a Bishop's, one for Clergy, stained dark—red plush seats); 2 pieces Brass Communion rail, needs replating; Approx. 1/2 of a brass octagon pulpit; 14 dark stained pews with reversible backs. Have aisle end only on same.

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CLERICAL CHANGES

The Rev. Erik H. Allen, formerly priest in charge of St. Paul's Church, Camden, Del., is now assistant at Christ Church, Second Street above Market.

The Rev. Ronald A. Wiley, rector of St. David's Church, Manayunk, will become rector of St. Luke's Church, Newtown, June 1st.

BEQUESTS, GIFTS, MEMORIALS

The sum of \$50.00 has been added to the Endowment Fund of the Church of the Resurrection, Broad and Tioga Streets, as a memorial to the late Richard P. Groat.

Pulpit falls in three colors for the various seasons of the Christian year have been given to All Saints' Church, Crescentville, in loving memory of Amelia (Savage) Hummel.

A sum of money has been given to the Book of Remembrance of St. Peter's Church, Glenside, in loving memory of the former rector, the Rev. George Copeland.

\$600.00 has been given to the building fund of Holy Apostles Chapel, Penn Wynne, by the Thomas D. Vandiver Post, 355, Bala-Cynwyd, of the American Legion.

A plaque to serve as the Korean War Honor Roll was recently dedicated in St. St. Giles Church, Stonehurst. It contains the names of 62 men from this parish who served in the armed forces. There are gold stars beside two of the names: Walter J. Coneys and John Clinton Stenger.

The Burd School has received a piano from Mrs. Draeger Gibbies for use in the chapel.

At St. Stephen's Church, Clifton Heights, the following recent gifts have been announced: A silk American Flag was presented to the Church by the Veteran's of Foreign War Auxiliary and an American Flag was presented by the Altar Guild of the Church. A set of Sterling Silver Cruets for Holy Communion was given in loving memory of Joseph and Anne Elizabeth Barlow. A set of Brass Boaches and Candle Followers in loving memory of George and Mary A. Gilmore and Charles C. Kelly. A Chancel Prayer Book and Hymnal was given in loving memory of John Fischer, Sr. A Hymnal Board and Numerals was given in Loving Memory of Mildred Elsie Padley and a Rector's Bible was given to him from a faithful communicant. An Altar given by two faithful and interested communicants of the Church to the Primary Department which was blessed and dedicated for Church School use.

At the Church of the Epiphany, Germantown, new pew prayer books have been given in memory of Jane Joy Cubberly and litany book has been given in memory of William Oliver Wettlaufer. The Book of Remembrance of this parish now has its funds amounting to \$2,660 invested in the Church Foundation. This is the beginning of an endowment fund.

At St. Gabriel's Church, Front Street and Roosevelt Boulevard, new and renewed vestments given by the Altar Guild and a baptismal stole given by St. Mary's Guild, were recently blessed by the rector, the Rev. Roland S. Lindsay.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Titus Mission, Elmwood, supplied the material

for new Altar linens and the beautiful hand sewing was done by Mrs. L. Ryback, a member of the parish. The linens dressed the Altar for the first time on Easter 1954.

A purple frontal and cope were given to the Church of the Good Shepherd in Kensington in loving memory of Ada Booth, Adin Booth, Ella Melissa Booth and Lillian Booth Race.

St. Mark's Church, 1625 Locust Street, will receive the estimated \$4,000 estate of Mary Brandon, who died February 19. Under her will the money is to be used "to help the worthy aged and distressed persons."

At St. Paul's Church, Chester, an Episcopal Church flag has been given in memory of Harold E. Lawton and an American flag in memory of Col. and Mrs. James A. G. Campbell. The Woman's Auxiliary has received an exhaust fan for the kitchen from Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Fountain.

A stained glass window was recently dedicated at Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, in loving memory of John French, Alfred P. Allison, Jr., Howard P. Dahms, Robert J. Niven, Frank Peoples, Jr., James M. Pettit and Norman R. Twelves.

New silver alms plates have been dedicated at St. Paul's Church, Aramingo, in loving memory of Frederick and Katherine Herzog and James and Mary Turner. A new lighting system has been installed in the church by donors who remain anonymous. New fire extinguishers have been placed in strategic places.

At St. Martin's Church, Oak Lane, a silver bowl has been given in memory of Edward S. Sublett and a lectern Bible with white silk markers in memory of Herbert S. Pallatt.

Miss Mary M. Potter, who died March 2, bequeathed her \$50,000 estate to the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, 51st and Spruce Streets, where she has been a member for many years. The bequest was designated for the endowment fund of the parish.

A baptismal ewer has been given to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, in loving memory of Elizabeth J. Sowden. The font was given as a memorial to Mr. Lee Sowden, for many years Junior Warden of this parish.

Veils to be used by the children of St. James Church, Bristol, in the Easter procession, were made by Mrs. A. Phipps and Mrs. J. Burtonwood.

A new altar cross was recently blessed at St. Luke's Church, Kensington, in loving memory of Amelia E. Beckman, Emma A. Carr, and Elizabeth J. Waldron.

At St. James Church, Langhorne, on Easter Day, a set of altar linens was dedicated in memory of Mrs. Reba A. Myers, who had been a faithful member of the parish for many years, the treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary for several years, and president of the W.A. at the time of her death.

IN THE DIOCESE

Peter Watterson, a student at the Philadelphia Divinity School, is working at St. Paul's Church, Aramingo. Henry Sharp, another student at P.D.S. is working at the Church of the Holy Sacrament, Highland Park, which is the home parish of both of these students.

The Lord Bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney was the special preacher at St. Clement's Church, 20th and Cherry Streets, on the Sunday after Easter.

At the Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli, "Twenty-four Hours of Prayer" began at noon on Maundy Thursday. Each half hour two or more people kept watch in the church with prayer and meditation. This all terminated with the Good Friday three hour service.

The Y.P.F. of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, recently held an awards banquet for the parish championship basketball team in the parish house. The speaker was Jack Whitaker, radio and T.V. sports announcer.

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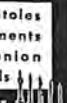
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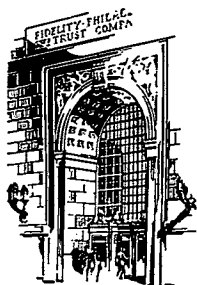


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